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SUBJECT: VISIT TO TOKYO BY STR'S BARREDA ET. AL.

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1. AS EMBASSY AWARE, US-JAPAN MTN TALKS WERE HELD AT TIME OF PRIME MINISTER FUKUDA'S MAY 2-3 VISIT TO WASHINGTON, AND AFFORDED A VALUABLE OPPORTUNITY FOR AMB STRAUSS, AMB WOLFF, ASTR BARREDA, MCNAMARA, ET. AL. TO MEET WITH MINISTER USHIBA, YANO, KURODA AND OTHERS.
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2. BASED ON THESE TALKS, BOTH SIDES AGREED IT WOULD BE EXTREMELY USEFUL TO HAVE AN INFORMAL WORKING-LEVEL MEETING IN TOKYO TO REVIEW THE NEW JAPANESE OFFER AND OUR REQUESTS BEFORE IT IS TABLED OFFICIALLY IN GENEVA. SUCH A MEETING WOULD PROVIDE A GOOD OPPORTUNITY FOR US TO LET THE GOJ HAVE OUR QUICK REACTIONS TO THEIR NEW OFFERS.

- 3. ACCORDINGLY, WE HAVE PROPOSED TO GOJ THROUGH JAPANESE EMBASSY HERE (NANAO-MFA, TANABE-MITI, AND UNNO-MAF) AND RECEIVED FROM TOKYO A PRELIMINARY OK TO A VISIT TO TOKYO BY A USG TEAM LED BY ASTR BARREDA AND INCLUDING STEVE ARLINGHAUS (DOC), RICH SCHROETER (USDA), AND JIM MCNAMARA (USMTN).
- 4. TEAM PLANS TO ARRIVE TOKYO THURSDAY, MAY 11 AND WILL CONTACT PIEZ (NO NEED FOR EMBOFF TO MEET), MEET WITH MITI IN THE MORNING OF MAY 12 AND PERHAPS AFTERNOON AS WELL. TEAM WOULD MEET WITH MAF IN THE AFTERNOON OF MAY 12 OR MORNING OF MAY 13. WE BELIEVE IT IS ESSENTIAL TO HAVE AGRICULTURE, AS WELL AS INDUSTRY SECTORS, IN THE MTN. TEAM WOULD DEPART ON SATURDAY EXCEPT FOR BARREDA, WHO WOULD LIKE TO STAY UNTIL SUNDAY OR MONDAY FOR MORE INFORMAL TALKS WITH GOJ AND EMBASSY OFFICIALS IF EMBASSY BELIEVES IT WOULD BE USEFUL.
- 5. REQUEST EMBASSY INFORM APPROPRIATE GOJ OFFICIALS OF PLANNED ARRIVAL OF TEAM, AND MAKE HOTEL RESERVATIONS, SINGLES AT OKURA. CHRISTOPHER

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